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No.

Another issue comes to mind as well. If Stephens and Soldwisch is the EPA Permittee and Columbus Oil and Gas is that state permittee, would the Chudy 2 be considered a commercial disposal well?

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Joe: Did you get any answers to these questions? Ray Urchel

From: Pettit, Joe (DEQ) <PETTITJ@michigan.gov>
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Not sure who to ask so I am casting a wide net....

Columbus Oil and Gas, Inc. recently performed an MIT on the Chudy 2 BDW in St. Clair County, MI on behalf of Stephens and Soldwisch Oil and Gas Properties LLC. According to Charlie Lawrence (Columbus Oil and Gas) the EPA permit for the Chudy 2 well is held by Stephens and Soldwisch Oil and Gas. Presumably, EPA has a bond on record for the Chudy 2 BDW. Can you confirm that EPA has a bond on file for the Chudy 2 BDW.

We are in the process of approving transfer of the State permit to Columbus Oil and Gas. Columbus has a \$250,000 blanket bond that covers 55 wells. The state permit will be bonded by Columbus' blanket bond.

So, my questions are:

1. Can the EPA permit be held by an owner who has a different operator at the state level?
2. What is the bond amount and type that EPA has on record for the Chudy 2 BDW?
3. Does EPA have any concerns about transfer of the State permit to Columbus Oil and Gas?

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